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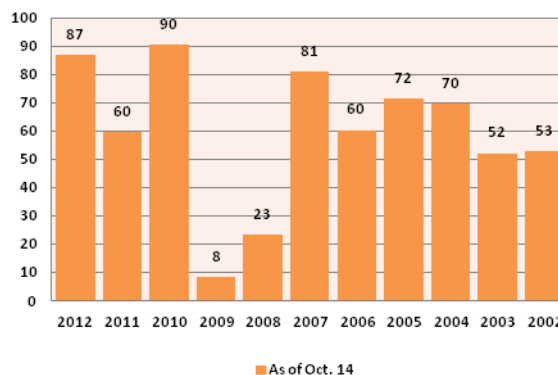
Agricultural Summary

Fall harvest and tillage were once again in full swing last week with some slowdown in activities due to weekend rainfall throughout the state. An average of 5.1 days were deemed suitable for fieldwork across the state last week. Temperatures averaged 50.7 degrees, 5.2 degrees below average. Statewide rainfall totals averaged 1.13 inches, 0.59 more than average with the higher totals being reported in the northern half of the state. Topsoil moisture was recharged by the rainfall and is now rated as 12 percent very short, 23 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was reported as 30 percent very short, 43 percent short, 26 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus. Corn harvest progressed to 87 percent complete statewide, this compares to 60 percent last year and 53 percent as the five year average. Soybean harvest progressed rapidly, with 69 percent of the state soybean crop now harvested. In other crops, sorghum harvest is now 57 percent complete with 94 percent of the crop mature. Pasture conditions were rated at 15 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 30 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.

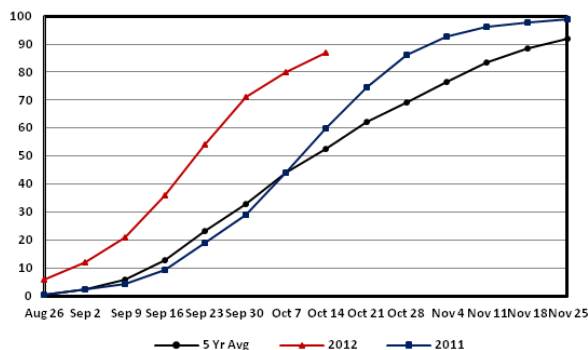
Crop Progress Percents

	This Week	Last Week	2011	5-Year Average
October 14				
CORN:				
Harvested	87	80	60	53
SOYBEANS:				
Dropping leaves	98	97	97	95
Harvested	69	47	66	60
WINTER WHEAT:				
Planted	46	30	57	48
Emerged	11	4	16	14
SORGHUM:				
Mature	94	94	98	88
Harvested	57	38	58	50
ALFALFA:				
Third cut	97	96	100	100

Corn - Percent Harvested
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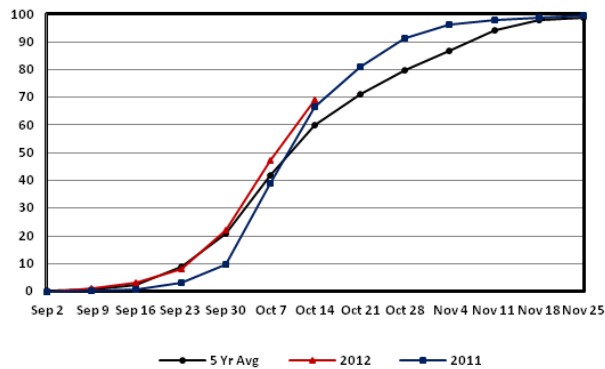


Crop Condition Percents

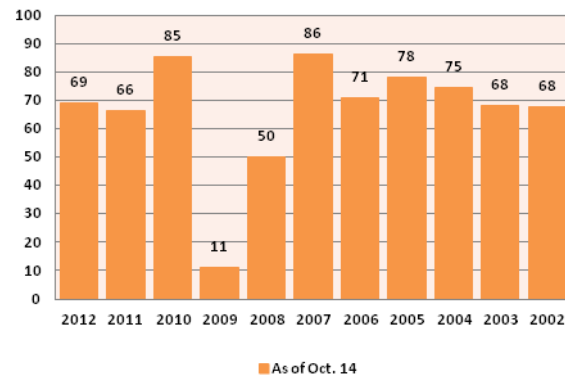
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
October 14					
Pasture	15	14	37	30	4

District	Days Suitable For Fieldwork	Topsoil				Subsoil			
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	October 8 - 14					October 14			
Northwest	5.5	28	44	28	-	38	51	11	-
Northeast	4.8	44	34	22	-	65	27	8	-
West	5.3	14	13	73	-	51	31	18	-
Central	4.9	1	29	66	4	11	55	34	-
East	4.8	-	12	88	-	18	46	36	-
W Southwest	5.0	3	19	70	8	24	49	25	2
E Southeast	5.2	5	14	78	3	9	44	47	-
Southwest	4.7	4	10	43	43	37	12	30	21
Southeast	6.0	-	-	100	-	-	65	35	-
State	5.1	12	23	61	4	30	43	26	1

Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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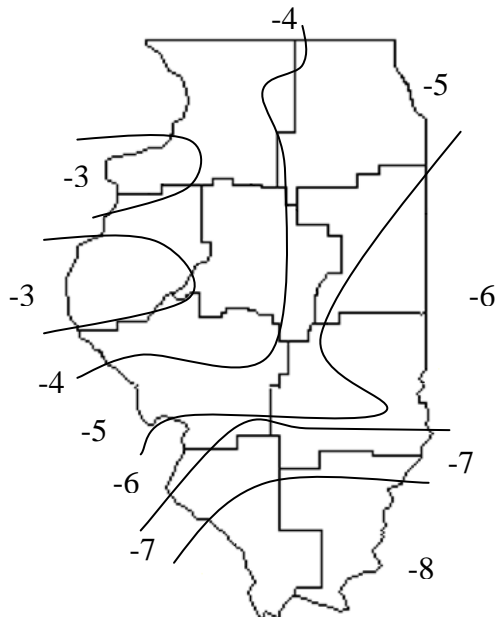


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

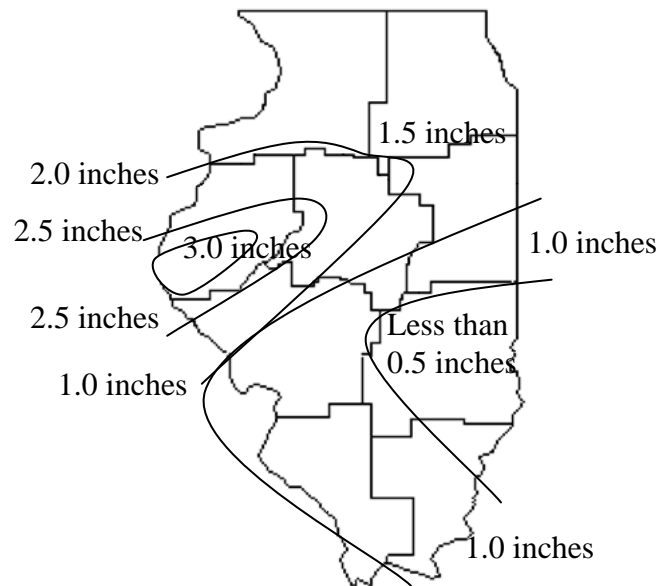
District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Dropping Leaves	Soybeans Harvested
October 14			
Northwest	71	98	79
Northeast	68	100	81
West	93	100	80
Central	96	100	78
East	94	100	63
W Southwest	96	99	66
E Southeast	96	96	56
Southwest	99	97	47
Southeast	80	90	55
State	87	98	69

Weather Information Table

District	Temperature (°F)		Precipitation (in.)	
	Average	Departure	Total	Departure
October 8 - 14				
Northwest	48.5	-4.0	1.14	0.63
Northeast	48.4	-4.8	1.04	0.51
West	51.9	-3.9	2.23	1.72
Central	50.7	-4.5	1.73	1.20
East	49.3	-5.6	1.25	0.70
W Southwest	52.7	-4.4	1.56	1.10
E Southeast	51.6	-5.8	0.26	-0.32
Southwest	51.1	-7.3	0.62	-0.03
Southeast	51.5	-7.3	0.34	-0.29
State	50.7	-5.2	1.13	0.59



Temperature (°F) Departure
October 8 - 14



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 8 - 14

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